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April 16, 2002

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: 180-Day Interim Trail Use/Railbanking Agreement Extension Request,
STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 145X), Union Pacific Railroad Company—Abandonment
Exemption—in Stanislaus, County, CA
Action Requested by May 7, 2002

Dear Mr. Williams:

This letter is to request a 180-day extension of the deadline for an interim trail use/railbanking agreement between the City of Modesto (City) and Union Pacific Railroad (Railroad) in the matter of STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 145X). The present deadline is May 7, 2002. This request would extend that deadline to November 3, 2002.

The requested extension is necessary in order for the Railroad to correct a Milepost error in the southern terminus of the property. The Railroad will file the necessary paperwork with STB this month. The Milepost correction marks the final obstacle to attaining a mutual agreement. We do not anticipate another extension will be necessary.

Please forward your decision regarding this extension to the following parties:

Ms. Jana Coons, Management Analyst
City of Modesto
PO Box 642
Modesto, CA 95353
Tel. (209) 571-5580

Mr. James P. Gatlin
Attorney for Union Pacific Railroad Company
1331 17th St, Ste 406
Denver, CO 80202
Tel. (303) 964-4594

We have discussed this request with the Railroad and they are supportive of an extension. The Railroad will forward a support letter to you under separate cover. Please direct questions regarding this request to Ms. Jana Coons, (209) 571-5580. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

In order to avoid jurisdictional concerns flowing from lapse of the existing NITU on May 7, Modesto requests that STB act upon this extension request prior to that date.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack R. Crist
City Manager, City of Modesto

cc: Mr. James P. Gatlin, Union Pacific Railroad
Glen Lewis, Engineering & Transportation Director
James Niskanen, Parks, Recreation & Neighborhoods Director



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